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Students Urge Free Lithuania

Young Lithuanian Americans are taking up a crusade to free their parents' homeland from Soviet occupation.

Two hundred delegates to the Lithuanian College Students Association made it clear yesterday they do not intend to abandon the 20-year-old struggle to end Russian occupation of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.

The college meeting is part of the three-day Lithuanian American Congress, which ends today at the Shoreham Hotel. More than 600 adults are also attending the session.

Algis Zaporackas, of Royal Oak, Mich., president of the Lithuanian students, said yesterday that "our generation is determined to carry on this fight to end the occupation. We don't aim to do it through bombs or anything of the kind. This is a matter for the conference table and we don't want our birthplace to be forgotten."

Most of the students were born in Lithuania and fled the country with their parents after World War II.

Mr. Zaporackas, a graduate student in engineering at Wayne State University and a designer for the Chrysler Corp., explained that the student association is also designed to "help us combine the best of Lithuanian and American values. We speak Lithuanian at all our meetings and keep up with the literature. This is done so that we can achieve some balance in our assimilation as Americans."